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## IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of:

VICTOR B. KLEY

Application No.: 10/047,454

Filed: January 14, 2002

For: SCANNING PROBE MICROSCOPE ASSEMBLY AND METHOD FOR MAKING SPECTROPHOTOMETRIC, NEAR-FIELD, AND SCANNING PROBE MEASUREMENTS

Customer No.: 20350

Confirmation No. 3079

Examiner:

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AMENDMENT ACCOMPANYING RCE

DATED JUNE 1, 2004

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

In response to the Final Office Action mailed September 29, 2003, please enter the following amendments and remarks. A Notice of Appeal along with a one-month extension was mailed January 29, 2004 and received February 2, 2004, putting the non-extended period for response at April 2, 2004. A request for a two-month extension from the deadline to file the Appeal Brief is being filed herewith along with a Request for Continued Prosecution (RCE).

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 16 of this paper.